## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

STANLEY HERBERT : CASE NO. C-1-00-855

Plaintiff : MAGISTRATE JUDGE HOGAN

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vs.

MILFORD TOWING & SERVICE,

INC., et al.

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Defendants :

DEFENDANTS' REPLY MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF ITS MOTION TO EXCLUDE ANY EVIDENCE RELATING TO PLAINTIFF'S EMOTIONAL DISTRESS, HIS VISITS TO CLERMONT COUNTY CLINIC FOR TREATMENT AND TESTIMONY JENNIFER WILHELM

Defendants have filed a motion in limine to exclude any evidence relating to Plaintiff's emotional distress, his visits to Clermont County Clinic for treatment or testimony of Jennifer Wilhelm. The Plaintiff has filed a response arguing that Plaintiff's claims provide for compensatory damages. Plaintiff claims that his therapist Jennifer Wilhelm will be able to testify as to the effect the retaliation and slander had him emotionally. This argument is without merit. First, this Court previously in its order stated that any testimony by Jennifer Wilhelm relating to Plaintiff's emotional state was irrelevant.

Secondly, Jennifer Wilhelm only treated Plaintiff with respect to some type of post traumatic stress disorder regarding this alleged touching that he underwent while employed at Defendant's place of business. There is not one statement throughout the medical records which

would indicate that any treatment Plaintiff received was due to alleged retaliation or slander. In fact, Jennifer Wilhelm in the medical records states that the post traumatic stress disorder was related to sexual harassment.

Third, Jennifer Wilhelm is not a witness who has been identified as an expert who can testify pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26. Instead, the Plaintiff has maintained that Jennifer Wilhelm is a treating medical provider and as such should be entitled to testify. However, that testimony, if provided, would only be permitted with respect to treatment. *Davoll v. Webb*, 194 F.3d 1116, 1138-39 (10<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1999) (a treating physician who has not been identified as an expert witness pursuant to Civil Rule 26(a)(2) may not provide testimony beyond the scope of treatment of plaintiff). Any testimony from Wilhelm regarding a causal relationship between retaliation and emotional distress would be barred as that would go beyond any testimony she would be entitled to provide as a treating medical provider. As a result, Defendants respectfully request that the medical records of Wilhelm, testimony and evidence of Plaintiff's emotional distress be barred.

## RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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